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SMYRNA SCHOOL DISTRICT

**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING
AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES**

JUNE 30, 2007

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT
ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

April 16, 2008

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We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by Smyrna School District, the Office of Auditor of Accounts and the State of Delaware Department of Education. The procedures were performed solely to assist the specified parties in evaluating the School District's compliance with criteria from the State of Delaware Fixed Asset Policy Manual, the State of Delaware Department of Education Construction Technical Assistance Manual, the Delaware Code and the State of Delaware Budget and Accounting Manual. Smyrna School District's management is responsible for compliance with those requirements.

This agreed-upon procedures attestation engagement was performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Our procedures and findings are as follows:

1. Determine if the School District's policies and procedures for identifying, tracking and recording capital assets are adequate.

Our procedures disclosed no instances of noncompliance that resulted in adjustments or findings and recommendations.

2. Determine whether the School District's construction project records and files (current and prior fiscal years) are accurate.

Our procedures disclosed no instances of noncompliance that resulted in adjustments or findings and recommendations.

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3. Determined if expenditures are accurately stated and are made in accordance with the State Fixed Asset Policy Manual and the intent of the project scope mandated by the General Assembly, the Department of Education and the Local Board of Education.

Our procedures disclosed no instances of noncompliance that resulted in adjustments or findings and recommendations.

4. Determine whether the School District's construction project records and files include only active construction projects as of June 30 of the current fiscal year. We also ensured that completed projects have been appropriately closed out of construction and added to the State Fixed Asset system.

Our procedures disclosed no instances of noncompliance that resulted in adjustments or findings and recommendations.

5. Prepare the School District's Schedule of Construction Projects for Fiscal Year 2007.

See *Appendix C*.

We were not engaged to, and did not, conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance with specified laws. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Smyrna School District management and Board Members and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and have not taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited. This report, as required by statute, was provided to the Office of the Governor, Office of the Controller General, Office of the Attorney General, Office of Management and Budget, Department of Finance, the State Treasurer's Office, Division of Accounting and the Office of Auditor of Accounts.



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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

APPENDIX A

Procedure Agreed Upon #1:

Determine if the School District's policies and procedures for identifying, tracking and recording capital assets are adequate.

Finding:

None.

Recommendation:

Not applicable.

School District Response:

Not applicable.

Procedure Agreed Upon #2:

Determine whether the School District's construction project records and files (current and prior fiscal years) are accurate.

Finding:

None.

Recommendation:

Not applicable.

School District Response:

Not applicable.

Procedure Agreed Upon #3:

Determine if expenditures are accurately stated and are made in accordance with the State Fixed Asset Manual and the intent of the project scope mandated by the General Assembly, the Department of Education and the Local Board of Education.

Finding:

None.

Recommendation:

Not applicable.

School District Response:

Not applicable.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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Procedure Agreed Upon #4:

Determine whether the School District's construction project records and files include only active construction projects as of June 30 of the current fiscal year. Ensure that completed projects have been appropriately closed out of construction and added to the State Fixed Asset system.

Finding:

None.

Recommendation:

Not applicable.

School District Response:

Not applicable.

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

APPENDIX B

The following schedule summarizes the prior year findings and the status of the prior year findings.

Prior Year Finding	Recommendation	Status of Prior Year Finding
None.	Not applicable.	Not applicable.

Status Key:

Implemented

The concern has been addressed by implementing the original or an alternate corrective action.

Not Implemented

The corrective action has not been initiated.

Partially Implemented

The corrective action has been initiated but is not complete and the auditor has reason to believe management fully intends to address the concern.

SCHEDULE OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

APPENDIX C

Projects included in Construction Work-in-Progress in the State CAFR:

Project Name	Fiscal Year	Original Funding Amount	De-auth Funding Amount	Total Project Funding to Date	Expended Current FY	Expended Prior FYs	Total Project Expended to Date	Total Unspent as of 06/30/07
Smymna Middle School	2006	7,500,000	0	7,500,000	4,601,672	2,564,876	7,166,548	333,452
	2007	2,755,000	0	2,755,000	1,578,983	0	1,578,983	1,176,017
Sunnyside Elementary School	2006	1,040,938	0	1,040,938	588,814	439,355	1,028,169	12,769
	2007	10,440,900	0	10,440,900	4,774,691	0	4,774,691	5,666,209
TOTAL		21,736,838	0	21,736,838	11,544,160	3,004,231	14,548,391	7,188,447

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Other Construction-Related Projects:

(These expenditures are added as betterments to projects/buildings already in the State fixed asset ledger.)

Project Name	Fiscal Year	Original Funding Amount	De-auth Funding Amount	Total Project Funding to Date	Expended Current FY	Expended Prior FYs	Total Project Expended to Date	Total Unspent as of 06/30/07
JBM Middle School	2001	868,100	(32,534)	835,566	0	835,566	835,566	0
	2003	7,812,900	0	7,812,900	77,042	7,682,418	7,759,460	53,440
Smyrna High School	2001	1,030,600	(66,191)	964,409	0	964,409	964,409	0
	2002	5,000,000	0	5,000,000	0	5,000,000	5,000,000	0
	2003	4,276,300	0	4,276,300	40,441	4,228,359	4,268,800	7,500
District Office	2003	167,600	0	167,600	2,047	158,151	160,198	7,402
Clayton Elementary School	2006	1,919,000	0	1,919,000	1,060,737	715,828	1,776,565	142,435
North Smyrna Elementary School	2006	3,536,000	0	3,536,000	2,250,824	1,285,176	3,536,000	0
Smyrna Elementary School	2006	2,294,000	0	2,294,000	1,199,667	991,194	2,190,861	103,139
TOTAL		26,904,500	(98,725)	26,805,775	4,630,758	21,861,101	26,491,859	313,916

Total Construction Projects Examined	48,641,338	(98,725)	48,542,613	16,174,918	24,865,332	41,040,250	7,502,363
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